



HI-Q

THE LAKEHEAD AMATEUR RADIO CLUB JOURNAL

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VE3FW - LARC call sign - honours the memory of the Founding President, P. J. "Pat" O'Shea

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LARC OPEN ACCESS REPEATERS

VE3YQT	MOUNT BALDY	147.06	(-600)	FP
VE3TBR	ST. JOSEPH'S	146.820	(-600)	FP
VE3BGA	HILLCREST H.S.	147.390	(+600)	
VE3TBB	UPSALA ONT.	145.470	(-600)	FP
(linked to VE3YQT)				

PREZ SEZ.....

As Christmas and New Year come around again we all feel the hustle and bustle of the season.

This December 13 will be a Christmas meeting held at the Boston Pizza on Arthur Street West at 1930 hours. I will have tickets for sale for the Dinner Meeting which will be held at the Slovak legion on February 16, 2002,

I am sorry that my guest speaker did not show up at the November meeting, but he said that he will be out for the January 10 meeting.

On behalf of myself and the Executive of the Lakehead Amateur Radio Club, I would like to wish all the members and their families a safe Merry Christmas and a Happy 2002 New Year. Hope to see you at the next LARC meeting.

Your President, Bob VE3RVA

Under normal circumstances, your editor would have retyped and edited the following for content. However, given the importance of the Dryden repeater and the large number of amateurs who travel west (e.g., **VA3WRL** coffee trips out west!), the material is being printed pretty much as received. Thanks to Bill **VE3AJ** for forwarding the data.

VE3 DRY Repeater **147.240+**

Autopatch Access & Autodial.....	9 (ie: 9 937xxxx or 9 10
Autopatch Termination	#
Redial Last Number	9*
Reverse Autopatch Answer	0
Emergency Speed dial Access	91 (Dials Emergency 911)
Signal Test	A (Talk into the DVR and it will play back)
Keypad Test	B (Key in string of numbers an it reads back)
Time	C (Tells the time in Female voice)
Temperature.....	C1 (Tells the Inside & Outside Temperature)
Temperature.....	C2 (Toggles the Inside, Outside, Hi & Low)

Making a reverse autopatch call

Dial the repeater number 937-6441. After about two rings the repeater will answer with “ Please Enter Code” enter reverse autopatch code (357) and it will say “Enter Autopatch Code”. Enter a (Star) *, the amateur’s speed dial plus (Pound)# and it will call their callsign plus ring over the phone and air. If a radio operator answers with the reverse autopatch answer number, zero(0), the repeater will say “Call Connected” and the conversation can take place. If an amateur does not answer with in a few call outs, the repeater will tell you “No Answer”. After the reverse autopatch is completed, the radio operator hangs up with the autopatch termination number (#), just like a normal autopatch.

Emergency Speed Dials (ie 92 dials the O.P.P Comm Center)

- 911.....911
- 1.....911
- 2 O.P.P Communication Center (Kenora)
- 3 Dryden Ambulance
- 4 Dryden Fire Department
- 5 Dryden Hospital
- 6 AES Weather Watch (Can-Warn)
- 7..... Flight Weather Messages
- 8 Dryden O.P.P
- 9 Highway Conditions (November to April)

Speed Dials

10	VE3 MOR	20	VA3 EXT	30	VA3 NOL
72	VA3 RGA	82	VA3 WGB	124	VA3 CO

Link Controls

(*) **STAR** is for **Local Repeater Control**

(*) **501** (Old *440).....Disconnects Repeater from All Links

(*) **503** (Old *445).....Connects Repeater to All Links

(*) **505**.....Turns **Off** All Links

(*) **701**.....Link # 1 **On** (Sioux Narrows)

(*) **710**.....Link # 1 **Off** (Sioux Narrows)

(*) **702**.....Link # 2 **On** (Sioux Lookout)

(*) **720**.....Link # 2 **Off** (Sioux Lookout)

(*) **703**.....Link # 3 **On** (Ignace)

(*) **730**.....Link # 3 **Off** (Ignace)

Local Control:

If you are in Dryden and want to turn on **Link #1**(Sioux Narrows), **ID**, you would then key up and enter (Star)***701**. The repeater will give you a response “*Link 1 ON*”. Notice the (Star)* is for controlling when you are on that *Local* repeater.

Distant Control:

If you are in Kenora and want to see if Dryden is on the Link System, **ID**, “VE3XXX is querying Dryden”. Now key up and enter (Pound) #**38**. If you hear a steady dial tone, Dryden is connected, if there is no dial tone, you would then work your way backwards from Dryden by querying Sioux Narrows (Pound) #**32** to see if Sioux Narrows is connected. If you hear a steady dial tone from Sioux Narrows, this means it is connected to Kenora. Sioux Narrows **Link #3**(Dryden) is turned Off and you must turn it on to connect Sioux Narrows to Dryden. Enter (Pound) #**32**(Sioux Narrows) and the dial tone will start. You now have 8 seconds to enter the control to turn on **Link #3**(Dryden) **703**. If

you hear a “beep, beep” the control went through and **Link #3**(Dryden) is ON.

LINK PREFIX CODES (AREA CODES) AND LINK ASSIGNMENTS

All Ontario commands start with 7(Seven) and Manitoba with 4(Four)

ie: **Link #1 On** for Ontario is **701** and Manitoba is **401**.

ie: **Link #1 Off** for Ontario is **710** and Manitoba is **410**.

30 -VE3LWR - KENORA

LINK #1 to S'NARROWS - VA3SXN
LINK #2 to FALCON L - VE4FAL

32 -VE3RSN - SIOUX NARROWS

LINK #1 to KENORA - VE3LWR
LINK #2 to BLACKHAWK - VE3RBK
LINK #3 to DRYDEN - VE3DRY

34 -VE3RBK - BLACKHAWK

LINK #1 to S'NARROWS - VA3SXN
LINK #2 to FT FRANCES - VE3RLC

36 -VE3RLC - FORT FRANCES

LINK #1 to BLACKHAWK - VE3RBK

38 -VE3DRY - DRYDEN

LINK #1 to S'NARROWS - VA3SXN
LINK #2 to S'LOOKOUT - VE3YXL
LINK #3 to IGNACE - VA3IGN

#39 -VA3IGN - IGNACE

LINK #1 to DRYDEN - VE3DRY

40 -VE4FAL - FALCON LAKE

LINK #1 to KENORA - VE3LWR

42 -VE4MIL - MILNER RIDGE

LINK #1 to STARBUCK - VE4MAN
LINK #2 to FALCON L - VE4FAL

43 -VE4MBR - SELKIRK

LINK #1 Not yet assigned

45 -VE4WPG - WINNIPEG

LINK #1 to VE4VJ (UHF)
LINK #2 to STARBUCK - VE4MAN

46 -VE4MAN - STARBUCK

LINK #1 to NEEPAWA - VE4NEP
LINK #2 to MILNER R - VE4MJL
LINK #3 to ST. JEAN - VE4CDN
LINK #4 to WINNIPEG - VE4WPG

47 -VE4NEP - NEEPAWA

LINK #1 to STARBUCK - VE4MAN

MEMBERSHIP AS OF NOVEMBER 2001

VA3AMY	AL SOKOLOSKI
VA3BEL	VIC BEL
VA3BND	BERNARD WELMERS
VA3BRN	GERALD BURNEY
VA3DJS	DAN SIMKO
VA3DVE	DAVE HORNE
VA3EAP	JUDY ARTIST
VA3JRS	JAN SOKOLOSKI
VA3LEB	LEN BOUGIE
VA3LGE	LARRY GERMANIUK
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VA3MOB	MAUREEN MEREDITH
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VA3NES	WILLIAM BELL
VA3OJ	RANDY GOTTFRED
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VA3XRM	ROD MCLEOD
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VE3AKX	VIC PROKOPCHUK
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VE3ARY	ROY TENIUK
VE3AVS	DAVE KIMPTON
VE3BHN	BOB GILLESPIE
VE3CAP	DON WRIGHT
VE3CH	RAY GREER
VE3CLV	CODY VAILLANT
VE3DDZ	DOLORES FISKE
VE3DWP	DAN DARLING
VE3EDX	MIKE SKILLEN
VE3EDZ	RAY FORSLUND
VE3EMI	JOHN KALETA
VE3FAL	FRED LESNICK
VE3GTX	JOHN WATSON
VE3GWT	GARRY MICHALUK
VE3HZW	MIKE WOLOWICH
VE3ICY	GLEN WALLACE
VE3INI	ANDY MALCOLM
VE3JQ	KEITH FISKE
VE3KRH	STEVE ROBB
VE3KRI	DEBBIE ROBB
VE3KVJ	KEN WRIGHT
VE3LMV	BILL WAINIO
VE3MAJ	ROBERT BARKER
VE3MJN	MARION NAWROCKI
VE3MPT	MANUEL MIGUEIS
VE3MXJ	BRAD HARRIS

VE3NCN	JOAN KLEMACKI
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VE3OPI	RICHARD BARRY
VE3OTK	KELLY JORDAN
VE3OTZ	FRANK PIANKA
VE3RMM	RYAN MOORE
VE3RVA	BOB HANSEN
VE3SJB	STEPHAN BURNS
VE3TLL	TERESA RAHMER
VE3UDY	JUDY PIANKA
VE3UQM	WALTER SITKO
VE3VER	VERNA BEL
VE3VGV	MARTIN CHEREDARYK
VE3VUK	MARK VUKOVICH
VE3WCW	CLARENCE CONTIN
VE3WF	JOHN HASTIE
VE3XLB	LINDA BELL
VE3XRC	NORM BELL
VE3XT	BILLUNGER
VE3ZG	MIKE NAWROCKI



Mike and Marion are smiling because:

- (a) they just won a bundle at the casino
- (b) they just bought a brand new car
- (c) both (a) and (b) above
- (d) lovely warm Santa Clause Parade weather

LITTLE THUNDER QRP CLUBmet recently and report next month.

BOY SCOUTS ON THE AIR.....on the air from South Gillies recently.... pix and report next month.

Santa Claus Parade

November 17th dawned bright and clear in Thunder Bay for the Annual Ontario Provincial Police Santa Claus parade. By eight o'clock in the morning, Ed Baumann, Mark and Cody Vaillant, and Marion and Mike Nawrocki were on site at the Community Auditorium parking lot ready to start sorting out all the participants for the parade, and passing on the information to Norm and Linda Bell at the announcers location so that Gary Cooper of the OPP had the information properly sorted to describe the parade. A half dozen floats were already in place, obviously wanting to lead the parade and get done early. From then on, it was a continuous stream of participants lining up, positions being assigned, people looking for the floats they were to be on, and a host of other questions. Just after ten o'clock the parade began to move out of the parking lot and on to the parade route, which we understand was lined with approximately 25000 onlookers. A careful eye was kept on the floats to make sure they went out in the proper order. Sure enough, one or two jumped their positions and the order had to be revised for the announcer. The parade this year was certainly one of the more colourful ones, everything from Lakehead University students in shorts and tank tops, to a float with real snow and snowmobiles driving around on it. So while there was no snow on the ground, there was snow in the parade. A hearty thanks to the LARC members who faithfully come out each year and help out in making this a great event for all the kids, and the kid in all of us. (Tks Mike VE3ZG for submission)

(Photos below courtesy of Pat VA3PP)



Can VE3WCW really outpedal that semi???



Do Cody and Ed really care???

**Minutes of a Meeting of the Lakehead Amateur Radio Club
held at Confederation College, Thunder Bay, Ontario
November 8, 2001**

The meeting was called to order at 7:35 by the President RE3RVA, Bob Hansen with 30 members and guests in attendance. The meeting started with a roundtable of members and guests introducing themselves.

Minutes of the Meeting held on October 11, 2001: The minutes of meeting held on October 11, 2001 were published in detail in the October issue of *hi-Q* and distributed to all members.

Motion: moved by VA3LU, Terry Stewardson and seconded by VE3GTX, John Watson that the minutes be accepted as distributed. **Carried.**

Correspondence: - letter of thanks from Judy Vinni re: Conquer the Dog Triathlon.

Treasurer's Report: VA3JRS, Jan Sokoloski

Balance as of September 30, 2001		\$ 3,578.62
Income:		
50/50	12.00	
Donation	15.00	
Bank Interest	.02	
Membership dues	<u>325.00</u>	<u>352.02</u>
Expenses:		
Hi-Q	29.79	
Insurance	625.32	
Telephone	<u>40.37</u>	<u>695.48</u>
Balance as of October 31, 2001		\$ 3,235.16

Motion: Moved by VA3EAP, Judy Artist and seconded by VA3LU, Terry Stewardson that the Treasurer's Report be accepted. **Carried.**

Committee Reports:

Equipment: VA3LU, Terry Stewardson reported all is well, everything is working O.K.

Ares: VA3GOT, Randy Gottfred read a letter from Ron Saddington, President & CEO, Thunder Bay Regional Hospital, thanking all those who participated in the mock ADisaster/Evacuation exercise held on Thursday, October 25, 2001. Volunteer radio operators from LARC were among those who participated, reporting from 3 radio stations to Net Control, VA3LU, Terry Stewardson. It was a great learning experience for all concerned. It was suggested by Randy that if this happens again, any radio operator is welcome to check in case they are needed and if you are involved, to be sure to wear your ARES identification tag. Randy would also appreciate members to let him know of any changes to phone numbers so he can up-date the phone tree.

RAC, Ontario North: - no report

Canwarn: - no report

Public Service: - November 17, 2001 - OPP Christmas Parade, operators in place.

Old Business: VE3RVA, Bob Hansen reported on the information table he set up at Vanderwees Craft Sale on October 13 and 14, 2001. He thanked those who volunteered their time and felt that the time spent there was successful in spreading the word about Amateur Radio.

Bob also reported on the papers that were passed out at last meeting where members were asked to write down suggestions for future meeting ~~A~~entertainment@. The suggestions will be reviewed and will be acted upon in the new year.

New Business: Next month's meeting will be our Christmas Party to be held Thursday, December 13 at Boston Pizza, Arthur Street, 7:30 p.m. Tickets will also be available for the annual February Dinner Meeting, to be held at the Slovak Legion, at a cost of \$24.00.

Budget: VE3RVA, Bob Hansen presented the Budget for the year 2001/2002, compiled by our Treasurer, VA3JRS, Jan Sokolowski, followed by much discussion and unanswered questions.

Motion: Moved by VE3GTX, John Watson and seconded by VE3MPT, Manuel Migueis that we table the Budget discussion to a later date when the Treasurer is present. **Carried.**

50/50 Draw: The winner of 50/50 draw was VDA3DVE, Dave Horne.

Adjournment: Moved by VA3LU, Terry Stewardson that the meeting be adjourned.

IRLP News

Our IRLP Regional Net Controller (RNC) writes "As of this date (Nov. 20th) there are 237 nodes, and 146.54 MHz is still being used. On Sunday, Nov. 18 the International Net was held with check-ins from all over. Local check-ins were **VE3MXJ**, **VE3DWP**, **VA3AY** and **VA3GOT**. Just a reminder that the next international net is on December 2nd at 1600Z (that's 1100 local time). Check-in on 146.54 with **VE3MXJ** at H minus 30 minutes. He then checks in with the Central Net Control at H-15 minutes. Also remember the Great Lakes Net is held Wednesday evenings at 0100Z (2000 hours local time) on Reflector 1. Thanks and 73 de Brad **VE3MXJ**.

LARC ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PARTY

THURSDAY DECEMBER 13TH - 1930 HOURS

BOSTON PIZZA WEST ARTHUR STREET

**(Don't you dare miss it!!! Tickets will be available for the
February 2002 Annual Dinner at the Slovak Legion)**